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Minoru UESHIMA

Application No. 10/594,577

Art Unit: 1793

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For: POURING APPARATUS FOR MOLTEN METAL AND CASTING METHOD

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Dear Sir:

An amendment in connection with the above-identified patent application is attached.

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AMENDMENTCommissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed on April 8, 2008,
the Applicant requests that the present application be amended as
shown below: